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## Campus News

### An Innovation

By Avis Duffey.

A family of eighteen girls working together under the able leadership of Miss Emma Louise Samuels of the Home Economics department are determined to accomplish, this year, many worth while things at the cooperation cottage which was previously West Gate Cottage, a woman's dormitory. The spirit of ambition, industry, and fellowship among these girls is especially commendable. Altho when the girls were assigned to West Gate Cottage by Dean Stanton, they did not know that they were to have the privilege of trying out this cooperative plan, new on Iowa State Campus, eighteen out of twenty responded with their loyal support. West Gate girls observe the same rules that any of the other girls on the campus do. "Science with Practice" is truly their motto as they apply what they learn. Practically all the girls are Home Economics students altho this is not a requirement, and their work at the cooperative cottage will prepare for and supplement their work at the Home Management houses.

Next year, the girls who wish to live at this cottage will be accepted only upon application. The purpose of the house is not to be for girls of limited means, altho economy will be a most important feature, but rather to promote initiative, efficiency and scholarship. The girls will have ample time for their studies, and their studies will be considered first.

In the three story gray home there are nine single rooms, and five double rooms. After organizing with Cleone Albright as their president and Daisy Brothers as their secretary, this new group met with Miss Amanda Jacobson in order to plan the rearranging and redecoration of the house. Gray and gold will be the dominant color scheme of the living room. Harmonizing draperies and curtains have been selected. Home-like beauty and simplicity are features. Many Home Economics faculty members have become interested in the project and have advised the girls in many ways.

The colors in the kitchen will be blue, ivory and white. The linoleum and curtains will be blue and white while the woodwork will be ivory and the cupboard, the table, and the large gas stove will be white. Every modern convenience will be obtained for the girls appreciate the best. The leader made two purchasing trips to Des Moines and obtained the very best in the line of furnishings and equipment. Everything will be arranged in the most convenient and appropriate places. This means much labor saving in the kitchen.

The care of the house will be under the supervision of proctors who are selected every two weeks at a house meeting. The other duties will be attended to by managers. The first manager is supreme and with the advice of the others, if she wishes, she plans the menu and directs the work. She holds her place for one week only, at the end of which time the second manager becomes first and the other two managers advance. The vacant place of fourth manager is then filled by election. Each girl serves the same number of times.

The West Gate girls believe in the

plan thoroughly and find it a pleasure to prove the project a success. They find it an opportunity to be efficient, to accomplish the most with the least time and effort. They are a congenial social group and look forward enthusiastically to the good times ahead of them. It's with satisfaction that they contemplate the Sunday morning waffles, the steaming Parker House rolls, the tempting salads, the fat brown chicken, with dressing, and Sunday evening spreads, occasionally perhaps, for the sterner sex. Every girl in West Gate realizes that there are opportunities afforded under this plan that could not be offered where a larger group was living. Individuality and self-expression are possible; close friendships will be formed, and usable knowledge and experience will be gained.

### Iowa State Student Convention

By Mercie Carley.

Two hundred Ames students and faculty spent October 24th to 27th in Des Moines at the Iowa state student convention. Six hundred delegates were there, representing fifteen colleges and universities in Iowa.

Bruce Curry, perhaps the most noted Bible study leader in the country, was there during the whole convention to guide the thot of the meetings and help the students arrive at some definite conclusions. On Thursday he conducted a training class of discussion group leaders for those who were able to go down a day earlier than the scheduled time.

Sherwood Eddy and Miss Erma Voight, Dean of Women at Ohio University, addressed the convention on Friday; Dr. Herbert Gray of Des Moines and Mr. Norman Haggood, a writer on industrial affairs, on Saturday and Mr. Harvey Ingham, editor of the Des Moines Register, on Sunday.

From these talks and from the discussion groups the problems facing college students today were classified in two groups—world problems and campus problems. The trilogy of war, industry and race comes under world problems, but campus problems vary with the different colleges. The theme behind them all is "How to apply the Jesus way of life to our campuses."

Dr. Curry believes in the problem approach to the study of the scriptures. He used the following outline in comparison:

#### Book Approach

- What is here?
- What does it mean?
- How does it apply to any problem in our life?
- What program of action shall we follow?

#### Problem Approach

- Study of problem
- Principles applying to problem
- From Bible
- From other sources
- Program of action

Those who attended the convention agreed that something definite must be done this year in attacking these problems. Wide-spread discussion groups are to be started and will be followed by programs of action to be separately determined on each campus.

### A Co-operative Fashion Show

The fashion critic was leisurely seated in the lounge of an Ames hotel watching the pedestrians pass when a most unusual sight met her eye. A wee page came out to announce, by the large poster he was carrying, the arrival of the latest mode in campus togs for the ingenue, the dramatically inclined miss and the athlete. Miss Critic was so taken by the number, the assortment of costumes and vogueishness that she could not help but voice her comments both favorably and otherwise. Following campus togs came the proper clothes for afternoon for each type, and then evening, sport and street. Miss Critic was most impressed, and her comments appreciated.

This was the procedure of the first annual fashion show given in Agricultural hall by the Costume Design classes at Iowa State College, in cooperation with the Ames merchants. The selection of girls for models was from the college at large, by the girls in the design class under the supervision of the instructors. The costumes were furnished by the merchants according to the choice made by the girls for the type to wear them. The models were carefully instructed in proper walking and carriage so that with the added color of the hotel setting and the appropriate comments of the fashion critic the audience was delightfully entertained.

Since the Fashion Show was given as a project for the design class, time was taken in each design laboratory after the show to listen to the students' comment on the costumes and types taking part. Although much of the success may be attributed to the students, the possibility of having it and the success was largely due to the efforts of Miss Joanna Hanson, head of the Applied Art department of the Home Economics division, and her corps of assistants.

### W. A. A. CONVENTION

Presidents of the Women's Athletic Association organization in Iowa met November 14th and 15th at the Des Moines University for their annual meeting, which will be the second meeting of its kind held in Iowa.

Eleven Iowa colleges were represented, among which is Iowa State. Prominent speakers at this convention took up present day topics on Women's Athletics. Accounts were given of the national convention of A. C. A. C. W. held last spring in Berkeley, California.

### DR. MARY WOOLEY VISITS CAMPUS

On Monday, November 17th, Dr. Mary Wooley, president of Mt. Holyoke College, was a guest of honor on the Iowa State College campus.

A meeting of the Association of American University Women, at which Dr. Wooley spoke, was held that evening in Margaret Hall. A number of Mt. Holyoke graduates from Des Moines were present.

An informal reception was given for Dr. Wooley in President Pearson's office Monday afternoon, at which time students and faculty were given an opportunity to meet her personally.